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AT the Court at St. James's, the 20th Day of December, 1776,

P R E S E N T,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS His Majesty was graciously pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Twenty-fifth Day of October last, to promise and declare, That the Bounties of Five Pounds for every Able Seaman, and of Two Pounds Ten Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, fit for His Majesty's Service, should be paid in the Manner thereby directed, to every such Able and Ordinary Seaman, not above the Age of Fifty, nor under the Age of Eighteen Years, who should, on or before the Thirty-first of December then following, enter themselves to serve in His Majesty's Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of His Majesty's Ships, or the Chief Officers on Board such Tenders, as should be employed for raising Men for the Service of the Royal Navy: And whereas His Majesty was likewise pleased, by His Royal Proclamation bearing Date the Eighth Day of November last, to promise and declare, That a Reward of Two Pounds for every Able, and Thirty Shillings for every Ordinary Seaman, should be paid, in the Manner thereby directed, to any Person who should discover any Seaman or Seamen who might secrete themselves, that so such Seaman or Seamen should be taken for His Majesty's said Service by any of His Majesty's Sea-Officers employed for raising Men, on or before the said Thirty-first Day of this Instant December: And whereas the Time limited by the said Proclamations for Payment of the said Bounty and Rewards is near expiring; and it being judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the said Bounties and Rewards should be continued to be paid for some Time longer, His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy-Council, doth therefore Order, and it is hereby accordingly ordered, That the Time limited for Payment of the said Bounties and Rewards be prolonged and extended from the said Thirty-first Day of this Instant December, to the Twenty-eighth Day of February next inclusive.—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

Steph. Cottrell.

General Post-Office, December 21, 1776.

A Mail for New York will be made up and forwarded from hence the First Wednesday in every Month as formerly, to commence on Wednesday the 1st of January next.

By Command of the Post-Master General,
Anth. Todd, Secretary.

[Price Threepence-Halfpenny.]

Tower of London, December 28, 1776.

THE Principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance do hereby give Notice, that they will be ready, at their Office in St. Margaret's-street, Westminster, on Friday the 10th of January next, to treat with any Persons that can supply the following well-seasoned Oak and Elm Timber, viz.

Sound and dry well-seasoned Elm Plank, that will hold the following Dimensions.

Thickness.	Length.	Width.
Inch.	Ft. In.	Ft. In.
6 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 1	1 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
5 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 4	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
5 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 5	1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	12 0	1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
4 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 9	1 4
4	8 8	1 2
4	6 9	1 2
3 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 11	1 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
3 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 4	1 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
3	5 11	1 0 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sound and well-seasoned Square Elm Timber, to hold the following Dimensions, free from Sap.

Ft.	In.	In.	In.
7	2	long 17 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	5	long 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 12 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	5	long 14 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 12 $\frac{1}{2}$
4	3	long 20 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sound and well-seasoned Square English Oak, to hold the following Dimensions, free from Sap.

Ft.	In.	In.	In.
7	3	long 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	6	long 16 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
5	6	long 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
4	4	long 21 $\frac{1}{2}$	by 9 $\frac{1}{2}$

In the mean Time Proposals in Writing (sealed up) may be left at the Office of Ordnance in the Tower.

London, January 4, 1777.

Irish Annuities, with Benefit of Survivorship.

THE Subscribers to the Life Annuities established in Ireland, in the Year 1773, who are to be paid in London, may receive Half a Year's Annuity, due the 25th of December last, at Mess. Brown, Collinson, and Tritton's, Bankers, in Lombard-street.

And also the Subscribers to the Life Annuities established in Ireland in the Year 1775, who are to be paid in London, may receive One Year's Annuity, due the 25th of December last, at the same Place, in the following Manner, viz.

The First Class in each, from the 14th to the 17th Instant, (both Days inclusive) from Nine in the Forenoon till Two in the Afternoon.

The Second Class in each, from the 20th to the 25th Instant, both Days inclusive.

The Third Class in each, from the 27th till the 31st Instant, both Days inclusive; and from the 3d of February to the 8th of the same, both Days inclusive.

Those of each Class remaining unpaid, will be paid every Wednesday following, during the same Hours. The Debentures to be produced, and a Certificate of the Life of the Nominee.



East-India House, December 24, 1776.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies having, on the 15th of November last, consented, by Ballot, to restore Mr Charles Stafford Playdell, formerly Member of the Council at Bengal, and Captain-Lieutenant Lewis Mestayer, late of the Corps of Engineers in Bengal, severally to the Company's Service; in which more than three Parts in four concurred, agreeable to the Act of Parliament of the 13th Year of His present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations for the said Company; and the said Consent of the Court of Directors being laid before and considered at a General Court of the said Company held this Day, pursuant to Fourteen Days Notice given for that Purpose; Notice is hereby given, that a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 8th of January next, from Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon until Six in the Evening, to ballot on the following Questions, viz.

" That Mr. Charles Stafford Playdell be restored to the Company's Service."

" That Captain-Lieutenant Lewis Mestayer be restored to the Company's Service."

In order to determine by such Ballot, whether three Parts in four of the Proprietors of the said Company, who shall be present at the said General Court, consent that the said Mr. Playdell and Captain-Lieutenant Mestayer be restored to the Company's Service.

This Day was published,

Adorned with beautiful Frontispieces engraved by Taylor, elegantly printed in Four Volumes, Price 12s. bound, with very great Alterations, and the Addition of an entire new Story,

THE FOOL of QUALITY; or, The HISTORY of the Earl of MORELAND:

By HENRY BROOKE, Esq;

Printed for E. Johnson; and sold by Wallis and Stonehouse in Ludgate-street.

London, December 24, 1776.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership between Gordon, Bracewell, and Stanier, was this Day mutually dissolved; and the Business will be carried on as before by Bracewell and Stanier only, in Cannon-street, who hope for the Continuance of the Favour of their Friends and Customers. And all Claims on and Debts due to the said Partnership will be received and paid by them.

Sam. Gordon.

Jn^o Bracewell.

Rd. Stanier.

Coventry-street, December 31, 1776.

THE Copartnership betwixt William Crozier and James Bell, of Coventry-street, Haberdashers and Glovers, being this Day dissolved by mutual Consent; all Persons who are indebted to the said Copartnership are requested to pay the same to the said James Bell, at his Shop, N^o 14, in Coventry-street, who will properly discharge them. They also jointly embrace this Opportunity to return their best Thanks to their Customers for the Favours they have received; and each of them respectively takes the Liberty to solicit a Continuance of the Countenance and Protection of their Friends and the Public in general.

William Crozier.

James Bell.

IF William Cook, aged Thirty-five Years or thereabouts, who was born and brought up at Watlington in the County of Oxford, and afterwards about Fourteen or Fifteen Years since, usually worked as a Sawyer in or near Turville and Hamdon in the County of Bucks, and about the same Time served in the Buckinghamshire Militia, will apply to Mr. Alexander Gerrard, in Essex-street in the Strand, London, he will hear of something to his Advantage; and if the said William Cook be dead, any Person giving Information as above of the Place of his Death and Burial, shall be handsomely rewarded by the said Mr. Gerrard.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE Creditors of John Applegath, late of Dowdswell in the County of Gloucester, Gentleman, deceased, are desired to meet at the House of Mr. Josiah Cook, the George Inn, in Cheltenham in this County, on Friday the 10th of January instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, in order to consider and allow of, or otherwise to disallow, the Claims already made or then to be made upon his Estate; and also to consider of and agree upon a Deed of General Release and Indemnity to be given to the Representatives of Thomas Vernon, Esq; deceased, the Trustee appointed in a Deed executed by Roger Applegath, Gentleman, deceased, for the Sale of the Estate and Effects, and Payment of the Debts, of the said John Applegath, on Receipt and Application of the Money appearing to be due on Ballance in their Hands; and also such the Creditors of the said John Applegath are further desired, at the Time of the above Meeting, to bring with them, then to be produced, their respective Securities by which they claim, and all proper Vouchers to authenticate the same.

TO be sold, at Guildhall, London, before the major Part of the Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Brown, late of Wells-street in the Parish of St. Mary le Bone in the County of Middlesex, Builder, Dealer and Chapman, on Wednesday the 22d Instant, between the Hours of Ten and Eleven in the Forenoon, A substantial new-built Messuage or Tenement, (now untenanted) N^o 11, situate in Cumberland-street in the Parish of Saint Pancras in the County of Middlesex, containing in Front 17 Feet, and in Depth 43 Feet. The said Premises are held for a Term of 54 Years from Lady-day 1773, subject to a yearly Ground-Rent of 4l. For further Particulars enquire of Mess. Hickey, St. Alban's-street, Westminster.

Whereas Warwick Hawkey, only Son and Heir of Warwick Hawkey, late of Trevegoe in the County of Cornwall, Esq; deceased, by Grace his Wife, being Mate of the Ship or Snow Silvia, belonging to the Port of Bristol, trading to the Coast of Africa, did, in or about the Years 1758 or 1759, proceed from Bristol aforesaid to Africa, and has not since been heard of; now Information by any Person given either to Mr. James Luke, Merchant of Exeter, or to Mr. John Williams, N^o 10, Bartlett's-buildings, Holborn, London, of the said Warwick Hawkey's being alive, or, in Case of his Death, authenticated Proof made of the same, any Person bringing such Intelligence or Proof shall be amply satisfied for his Pains.

THE Creditors of Theophilus Meredith, late of Ross in the County of Hereford, Clerk, deceased, are peremptorily desired by his Administrators to send (Post paid) to Mr. Holder, Attorney, in Ross, on or before the 24th Day of January instant, a Particular of their respective Debts, with an Affidavit supporting the Nature of their respective Demands; for the Administratorship Account on that Day will be closed; and from and after the 10th Day of February following [the Specialty Creditors being first paid their full Demand] the Simple Contract Creditors may receive an equal Dividend to be made of the Estate and Effects of the Deceased remaining in the Hands of the said Administrators, in Proportion to their respective Demands, by applying to the said Mr. Holder.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against William Seddon, jun, late of Lothbury, London, Warehouseman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Wednesday the 22d Day of January instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall Coffee-house, in King-street, Cheapside, London, to consider of making a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against James Farrer, Edward Arrowsmith, and John Carr, late of Scotland-yard in the County of Middlesex, Coal-merchants and Partners, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estates and Effects, on Wednesday the 15th of January instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Garraway's Coffee-house in Exchange-alley, London, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

Pursuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable Henry Earl Bathurst, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for enlarging the Time for William Powel, now or late of Islington in the County of Middlesex, Coal-merchant, Dealer and Chapman, (a Bankrupt) to surrender himself and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, for 42 Days, to be computed from the 4th Day of January instant; This is to give

give Notice, that the major Part of the Commissioners named in the said Commission intend to meet on the 15th Day of February next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; where the said Bankrupt is required to surrender himself, between the Hours of Eleven and One o'Clock of the same Day, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects, and finish his Examination; and the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, may then and there come and prove the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against John Glasse, late of the Parish of Saint James within the Liberty of Westminster in the County of Middlesex, Haberdasher, Milliner, French Trimming-Maker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 21st and 22d Days of January instant, and on the 18th Day of February next, at Five o'Clock in the Afternoon, on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Denison, Featherston-Buildings, Holborn.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Francis Davis, of Bentinck-Street in the Parish of St. James Westminster in the County of Middlesex, Pavour, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 11th and 22d Days of January instant, and on the 18th Day of February next, at Ten in the Forenoon, on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Blake, Effex-Street, Strand.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Edward Baylis, late of the City of Bristol, Seedsmen, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 21st and 22d Days of January instant, and on the 18th Day of February next, at Four in the Afternoon on each Day, at the Bush Tavern in Corn-Street, Bristol, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Gyles, Attorney, at Bristol aforesaid.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against William Marshall, of the City of Bristol, Mercer, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 27th and 28th Days of January instant, and on the 18th Day of February next, at Eleven in the Forenoon on each of the said Days, at the Bush Tavern, in Corn-Street in the City of Bristol, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Joseph Hawkswell, Attorney, in Bristol.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against James Pickersgill, of Wakefield in the County of York, Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the

20th and 21st Days of January instant, and on the 18th Day of February next, at Ten in the Forenoon on each Day, at the House of John Hall, the Sign of the Black Bull in Wakefield; and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mess. Farrer, Chancery-lane, London, or Mr. Parker, Attorney at Law, in Hallifax, Yorkshire.

W Hereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Skudder Holroyd, of Crutched-friars, London, Wine-merchant, (late Partner with Edward Smith) have certified to the Rt. Hon. Henry Earl Bathurst, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said John Skudder Holroyd hath in all Things conformed according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of his late Majesty's Regn, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 28th Day of January instant.

W Hereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against William Ridsdon, late of Crediton in the County of Devon, Merchant, Broker, Corn-factor, Dealer and Chapman, have, pursuant to an Order of the Right Honourable Henry Earl Bathurst, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, certified to the said Lord High Chancellor, that the said William Ridsdon hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that, by virtue of an Act passed in the 16th Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, and for the Relief of Bankrupts in certain Cases," his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 28th of January instant.

W Hereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Richard Bridge, (late Partner with Thomas Bramall) late of Brookmouth in the Parish of Bury and County Palatine of Lancaster, Dealer and Chapman, have, pursuant to an Order of the Right Honourable Henry Earl Bathurst, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, certified to the said Lord High Chancellor, that the said Richard Bridge hath in all Things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice that, by Virtue of an Act passed in the Sixteenth Year of His present Majesty's Regn, for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, and of Bankrupts in certain Cases, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 28th of January instant.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against William Bury, of the Parish of St. Clement Danes in the County of Middlesex, Laceman, Dealer and Chapman, intend to meet on the 20th Day of January instant, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to proceed to the Choice of an Assignee or Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, and with those who have proved their Debts, chuse an Assignee or Assignees accordingly, pursuant to the Lord Chancellor's Order.

THE Commissioners in a joint Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against John Pease and William Dent, both of Darlington in the County of Durham, Grocers, Copartners, Dealers and Chapman, intend to meet on the 24th Day of January instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the House of Richard Thompson, the Post-house, in Darlington aforesaid; when and where the separate Creditors of the said John Pease, who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same. And the said Commissioners do then intend to take separate Accounts of the joint Estate of the said John Pease and William Dent, and of the separate Estate of the said John Pease, come to the Hands of Francis Holmes, William Hudson, and John Naylor, respectively, or to the Hands of any other Person or Persons, by their or either or any of their Order; or for their or either or any of their Use, as Assignees under the said joint Commission; and to distinguish the joint Estate of the said John Pease and William Dent, and the separate Estate of the said John Pease, from each other; pursuant to the Lord Chancellor's Order for that Purpose.